Civic Arts Commission
Minutes
Monday, May 14, 2012

Commissioners Present: Marieke DeWaard (Vice Chair), Susan Brady (Alternate), Nina Gatewood, Jane Higgins
Commissioners Absent: Nikhil Joshi (Chair), Casey Hutchins, Mary Anne Ingenthron, Carrie Whitecotton
Staff: Carrie Dyer, Community Services Supervisor

1. Approval of agenda.

Action: Commissioner Higgins moved and Commissioner Gatewood seconded approval of the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes from March 12, 2012.

Action: Commissioner Higgins moved and Commissioner Gatewood seconded approval of the minutes from March 12, 2012 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from April 30, 2012.

Action: Commissioner Gatewood moved and Commissioner Higgins seconded approval of the minutes from April 30, 2012 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public communications. None

4. Written Communications.
A. Regular art-related publications were circulated.

5. Art Locations in Downtown Davis. The Commission received a staff report from Ken Hiatt, Director of Community Development and Sustainability, proposing placement of a new art sculptures in Downtown Davis and the creation of a sub-committee to establish a policy for temporary art placement.

Action: Commissioner Brady moved and Commissioner Higgins seconded approval to place temporary art pieces to be located at Fourth and G streets for “Standing Tall” and east of G Street and south of 2nd Street for the placement of “Circus”. Motion approved unanimously.

Action: Commissioner Higgins moved and Commissioner Brady seconded to approve the staff recommendation to appoint a sub-committee of the Civic Art Commission to develop policy establishing criteria and process for temporary placement of private art on City property.

Commissioner Higgins amended her motion to propose Marieke DeWaard and Casey Hutchins be appointed to the sub-committee. Commissioner Brady seconded amended motion. Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Poet Laureate Appointment.** The Commission received a report from staff regarding the appointment of the next City of Davis Poet Laureate.

   **Action:** Commissioner Brady moved and Commissioner Gatewood seconded approval of staff recommendation appointing Eve West Bessier as the new City of Davis Poet Laureate. Motion passed unanimously.

7. **Staff, City Council, Commission communications.**
   A. Staff C. Dyer provided the Commission with information regarding aesthetic improvements to the restrooms at Central Park which include a mural by Heidi Bekebrede. The commission requested additional information be brought back to the June meeting.
   B. Commissioner DeWaard provided updated information on the Open Door Artist Studios. Many artists came to the 2nd Open House and the potential for classes, etc to be held there.

8. **Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting of June 11, 2012.

**Respectfully Submitted,**
Carrie Dyer
Community Services Supervisor